GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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Pending Cases for RO
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a large number of cases are pending in the courts with regard to renting of retail outlets by Oil Marketing Companies and also eviction of retail outlets sites;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
(c) the measures taken by the Government to reduce the pendency of court cases with regard to retail outlets?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)
(a) & (b) − There are 905 pending Court cases of Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) throughout the country with regard to rent / eviction of retail outlet sites. The State/UT-wise details of these cases are provided in Annexure-I.
OMCs are taking steps for renewal of leases within the laid down norms. Also, the payment of site lease rentals is done in a timely manner so that there is no default in payment of such rentals.
(c) − OMCs take steps to defend the court cases and to resolve the issues. Wherever possible, if required, negotiations / out of court settlement is also tried.
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